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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

14 VICTOR EMANUEL RODRIGUEZ

CASE NO.: 2:16-cv-00384-JAD-PAL

Plaintiff.

16 | VS

JAMES EDWARD PATINO, an individual;
WAL-MART STORES, INC., a Delaware
Corporation d/b/a WAL-MART
TRANSPORTATION, LCC; DOES I through X,
and ROE CORPORATIONS I through X,
inclusive,

**STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF
CONFIDENTIALITY PROTECTIVE
ORDER**

Defendants.

Pursuant to FRCP 26(c)(1), it is hereby stipulated and agreed by the undersigned counsel for each of the parties to this action that, in order to preserve and maintain the confidentiality of certain documents that contain proprietary, trade secret and confidential information and/or other documents or information which may otherwise be sensitive, and which will be obtained from Wal-Mart Stores,

1 Inc, and related Wal-Mart entities ("Wal-Mart"), the following Confidentiality Protective Order shall
2 be entered by the Court.

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4 Dated: Jan 20, 2017

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CONFIDENTIALITY PROTECTIVE ORDER

Pursuant to the foregoing stipulation of the parties, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. Documents and information to be provided by Wal-Mart, that are claimed to contain confidential information, including copies thereof and information contained in such material, shall hereafter be referred to as "Protected Documents" and marked as "Confidential - Subject to Protective Order," or similar language in accordance with the provisions of this Order shall only be used, shown or disclosed as provided in this Order.

2. A list identifying Protected Documents will be provided to Plaintiff and updated as necessary. The list itself will be considered a Protected Document.

3. As used in this Order, the term "documents" means all written material, videotapes and all other tangible items, produced in whatever format (e.g., hard copy, electronic, digital, etc.)

1 and on whatever media (e.g., hard copy, videotape, computer diskette, CD-ROM, DVD, hard drive
2 or otherwise).

3 3. To preserve the formatting/presentation of certain data, certain documents will be
4 produced in their native format. These documents, produced in native format, will not be
5 individually stamped or labeled. Instead, the CDs containing the document will be labeled with the
6 confidential designation. Any person who copies the CDs or prints any of the documents stored on
7 the CDs must stamp or label the copies or prints with a Protected Documents designation.

8 4. The designated Protected Documents and copies shall be marked by placing the notice
9 "Confidential – Subject to Protective Order," or similar notice, on the document and all copies..

10 5. Protected Documents and any copies thereof received pursuant to this Order shall be
11 maintained confidential, shall be used only for preparation for the trial and prosecution of this
12 lawsuit, and maybe disclosed only to (a) Plaintiff; (b) Attorneys for Plaintiff and their paralegal and
13 clerical staffs, and (c) Experts and consultants retained or individuals consulted by Plaintiff or their
14 attorneys for assistance in trial preparation or for testimony ("Recipients"), provided that no
15 disclosure shall be made to any expert or consultant who is employed by a competitor of Wal-Mart
16 Stores, Inc, and related Wal-Mart entities.

17 6. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d), in the event of disclosure (including
18 production) of Protected Documents that contain legally privileged information that a party or non-
19 party later claims was inadvertently disclosed, including, but not limited to, the attorney-client
20 privilege or work product doctrine, this agreement shall not constitute a waiver of the protections
21 afforded the inadvertent disclosure legally privileged information..attorney-client privilege, attorney
22 work product, or other grounds which the Producing Party would be entitled in the Litigation or any
23 other federal or state proceeding. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(5)(B) and
24 Federal Rule of Evidence 502(e). The Receiving Party hereby agrees to return, sequester, or destroy
25 any Privileged Information disclosed or produced by the Producing Party upon request. If the
26 Receiving Party reasonably believes that Privileged Information has been inadvertently disclosed or
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produced to it, it shall promptly notify the Producing Party and sequester such information until instructions as to disposition are received. The failure of any party to provide notice or instructions under this Paragraph shall not constitute a waiver of, or estoppel to, any claim of attorney-client privilege, attorney work product, or other ground for withholding production as to which the Producing Party would be entitled in the Litigation or any other federal or state proceeding. This provision is designed to foreclose any arguments that this agreement, or the disclosure of Protected Documents under it, waives a legally recognized claim of privilege, including without limitation the attorney-client privilege, work-product doctrine, or other applicable privilege because the disclosure:

- (a) was not inadvertent by the Producing Party;
- (b) that the Producing Party did not take reasonable steps to prevent the disclosure of privileged Documents;
- (c) that the Producing Party did not take reasonable or timely steps to rectify such Disclosure; and/or
- (d) that such Disclosure acts as a waiver of applicable privileges or protections associated with such Documents.

7. Disclosure shall be made to Recipients only as necessary for the prosecution of the lawsuit and only after the Recipient has been informed of the terms of this Order and has agreed to be bound by it. Before Protected Documents are disclosed to anyone, the intended Recipient shall be first presented with a copy of this Order, and after reading it and agreeing to be bound by its terms, sign the attached form of "Written Assurance," attached as Exhibit A (hereinafter "Assurance"). Assurances signed by experts shall be provided to counsel for Wal-Mart, when experts are disclosed. Assurances signed by consultants, whether or not they are retained by the Plaintiff, shall be retained by Plaintiff's counsel for as long as they retain their file after termination of the case. Protected Documents shall not be disclosed to any person or in any manner not specified in this Order. Further, Protected Documents shall not be used for any purpose other than the prosecution of this lawsuit.

8. Persons having knowledge of Confidential Material and information by virtue of their participation in the conduct of this litigation shall use them for that purpose only and only as

1 permitted herein, and shall not disclose such Confidential Material, their contents or any portion or
2 summary thereof to any person(s) not involved in the conduct of this litigation. If any person having
3 access to the Confidential Material herein shall violate this Order, he/she may be subject to sanctions
4 by the Court.

5 9. If any party wishes to file Protected documents with the Court for any reason that
6 party shall comply with FRCP 26(c) and file redacted copies of the documents as necessary. The
7 party wishing to file Protected Documents must provide Wal-Mart's counsel with written notice that
8 the records and other documents lodged will be placed in the public Court file unless Wal-Mart filed
9 a timely motion or application to seal the records under FRCP 26(c)(1)(H). Within ten (10) days of
10 this notification, Wal-Mart may file a motion or application for an Order sealing the Protected
11 Documents. Pending determination of the motion or application, the lodge document(s) will be
12 conditionally under seal. Until such time as the Court issues an Order sealing the Protected
13 Documents, the original party seeking to use the documents may only refer the Court to the redacted
14 version of the documents. Upon granting of an Order sealing the record, the document(s) will be
15 sealed and labeled by the Court clerk according to FRCP 26(c)(1)(H).

16 10. Protected Documents may be referred to by a party in notices, motions, briefs or any
17 other pleadings, may be used in depositions, and may be marked as deposition exhibits in this action.
18 No such documents or information shall be used, however, for any of these purposes unless it, or the
19 portion where it is revealed, is appropriately marked and protected from dissemination and, where
20 filing is necessary, separately filed under seal with the Court pursuant to the provisions of paragraph
21 9, above.

22 11. If, at the time of trial, a party intends to introduce into evidence any Protected
23 Documents, it shall, pursuant to FRCP 26(c)(1)(H), lodge the documents with the Court, file redacted
24 copies of the documents and provide Wal-Mart's counsel with written notice. Counsel for Wal-Mart
25 shall then have the burden to obtain a ruling regarding sealing of the records under FRCP 26. Until a
26 determination is made by the Court, the documents shall be lodged with the Court conditionally
27 under seal. In any event, a party intending to introduce Protected Documents must allow 20 days to
28 address the issues of preserving confidentiality with the Court.

1 12. Recipients of Protected Documents are, ~~either by virtue of direct application of the~~
2 ~~Order~~ or by virtue of the execution of the Assurance referred to in paragraph 7 above, bound by the
3 terms and restrictions of this Order and are subject to the jurisdiction of this Court for the purpose of
4 enforcing the terms of this Order.

5 13. If a party wishes to modify this Order or its application to certain documents or
6 information, he shall first request such modification from all parties' counsel, and if no satisfactory
7 agreement is reached, may petition the Court for modification. Until modification is granted by
8 agreement or Order, terms of this Order will govern. In the event the Plaintiff petitions the Court to
9 modify this Order to certain documents or information, it shall be Wal-Mart's burden to demonstrate
10 to the Court that the documents it designates should remain protected.

11 14. This Order shall not preclude the parties from exercising any rights or raising any
12 objections otherwise available to them under the rules of discovery and evidence.

13 15. This Order shall continue to be binding throughout and after the conclusion of this
14 litigation, including all appeals. Within 30 days of termination of this lawsuit, by judgment,
15 settlement or voluntary dismissal, the Plaintiff's counsel, and any recipients of Protected Documents,
16 shall return to Wal-Mart's counsel all such documents received under this Order, including all
17 copies, prints, summaries and other reproductions of such information; however, counsel for the
18 Plaintiff may keep an index of the documents for as long as they retain their file after termination of
19 the case. Recipients shall return the Protected Documents along with a signed "Confirmation of
20 Return of Protected Documents," attached as Exhibit B ("Confirmation"). The Confirmation shall be
21 signed under penalty of perjury by the recipient. The Confirmation shall also be signed by counsel
22 for the Plaintiff acknowledging that all documents provided by said counsel to the Recipient have
23 been returned to counsel for Wal-Mart in accordance with this paragraph. However, any information
24 designated in accordance with this Order that becomes part of a record on appeal shall be returned
25 pursuant to this paragraph after all appeals have been exhausted.

26 16. It shall be the responsibility of counsel for the Plaintiff to act to preserve the
27 confidentiality of Protected Documents. Said counsel shall undertake all steps necessary to preserve
28 the confidentiality of such documents and information, including but not limited to: (1) monitoring

1 the release of Protected Documents to Recipients and by Recipients; (2) Obtaining the Assurances
2 described in paragraph 7 above; and the confirmation described in paragraph 15, above; and (3)
3 Providing the Assurances and confirmations to counsel for Wal-Mart in accordance with paragraphs
4 7 and 15, respectively, above.

5 17. If any person receiving documents covered by this Order is served with a subpoena,
6 order, interrogatory, or document or civil investigative demand (collectively, a "Demand") issued in
7 any other action, investigation, or proceeding, and such Demand seeks material that was produced or
8 designated as a Protected Documents, or requests information contained in a Protected Document,
9 The Receiving Party shall promptly object to producing the Protected Documents on the grounds of
10 the existence of this Protective Order; and give prompt written notice by hand or facsimile
11 transmission within five (5) business days of receipt of such Demand to the party or non-party who
12 produced the Protected Documents. The burden of opposing the enforcement of the Demand shall
13 fall upon the party or non-party who produced or designated the material as Confidential Material.
14 Unless the party or non-party who produced or designated the Confidential Material obtains an order
15 directing that the Demand not be complied with, and serves such order upon the Receiving Party
16 prior to production pursuant to the Demand, the Receiving Party shall be permitted to produce
17 documents responsive to the Demand on the Demand response date, provided sufficient notice of the
18 Demand was provided. Compliance by the Receiving Party with any order directing production
19 pursuant to the Demand of any Confidential Material shall not constitute a violation of this Order.
20 Nothing in this Order shall be construed as authorizing a party to disobey a lawful subpoena issued
21 in another action.

22 18. In the event additional parties join or intervene in this litigation, the newly joined
23 party(ies) shall not have access to Confidential Material until its/their counsel has executed and, at
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1 the request of any party, filed with the Court the agreement of such party(ies) and such counsel to be
2 fully bound by this Order.

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Jerry A. Seem
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DATED: January 27, 2017

1 EXHIBIT A

2 WRITTEN ASSURANCE

3 STATE OF _____

4 COUNTY OF _____

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6 I, _____, hereby attest to my understanding that
7 information or documents designated confidential are provided to me pursuant to the terms and
8 conditions and restrictions of the Confidentiality Protective Order of _____,
9 2016, in *Rodriguez v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 2:16-cv-00384 -JAD-PAL. I have been
10 given and read both Stipulation for Entry of Confidentiality Protective Order; Protective Order
11 ("Protective Order") itself and I understand their terms. I agree that I shall not disclose to others,
12 except in accordance with the Protective Order, such information or documents including notes or
13 other memorandum or writings regarding information contained in them, and that such information
14 or documents shall be used only for the purposes of the legal proceeding in which they are produced.
15 I further agree and attest to my understanding that my obligation to honor the confidentiality of such
16 information or documents will continue even after the termination of the legal proceeding. I further
17 agree and attest to my understanding that, in the event that I fail to abide by the terms of the
18 Protective Order, I may be subject to sanctions, including sanctions by way of contempt of Court,
19 imposed by the court for such a failure. Further, I agree to subject myself to the jurisdiction of the
20 United States District Court, District of Nevada, in and for any contempt proceeding or other
21 appropriate sanctions as the Court may deem proper for a violation of the Court's Protective Order.

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24 Subscribed and Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2016.

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26 Notary Public
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1 EXHIBIT B
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4 **CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF DESIGNATED DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION**
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7 I, _____, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the
8 State of _____ that the following is true and correct:
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10 1. My full name and business address are:
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19 2. I agreed to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Stipulation for Entry of
20 Confidentiality Protective Order; Confidentiality Protective Order (“Protective Order”) entered into
21 by the parties in the matter of *Rodriguez v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 2:16-cv-00384 -
22 JAD-PAL. I acknowledged by consent to be so bound by executing a Written Assurance.
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24 3. I acknowledge that I received documents or information designated as “Subject to
25 Confidentiality Protective Order,” “Subject to Protective Order,” “Confidential,” or substantially
26 similar designation, for the sole purpose of assisting in the preparation for trial and/or testimony in
27 the above-captioned lawsuit.
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29 4. Pursuant to paragraph 13 of the Protective Order identified above, I acknowledge that
30 I am obligated to return to counsel for Wal-Mart any and all documents or information designated as
31 “Subject to Confidentiality Protective Order,” “Subject to Protective Order,” “Confidential,” or
32 substantially similar designation, along with any all copies, prints, summaries, and other
33 reproductions of such documents or information, immediately upon termination of the above-
34 captioned lawsuit.
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1 5. Immediately upon being notified that this matter was terminated, I returned any and
2 all documents or information along with all copies, prints, summaries and other reproductions of
3 such documents or information to the person who provided them to me.

5 Executed this ____ day of _____, 2016 in _____.

Signature of Declarant

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNSEL

I am an attorney licensed to practice in the State of _____ . I hereby acknowledge receipt, from the declarant identified above, of all documents provided to said declarant by me or my office. Further, I hereby acknowledge delivering all documents received from the declarant to counsel for Wal-Mart immediately upon termination of the above-captioned lawsuit in compliance with paragraph 13 of the Stipulation for Entry of Confidentiality Protective Order and Protective Order between Wal-Mart and Plaintiff

Signature of Counsel

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2016

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